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SUBJECT: GOA ISSUES OFFICIAL STATEMENT DESCRIBING EMBASSY'S

MEMORANDA AS "FOREIGN INTERFERENCE"

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1. PRESIDENTIAL PRESS OFFICE ISSUED STATEMENT AROUND NOON TODAY REGARDING INCIDENT OF EMBASSY'S MEMORANDA ON ECONOMIC LEGISLATION. TEXT FOLLOWS:

2. " VIGOROUS PROTEST BY ARGENTINE FOREIGN OFFICE TO US GOVERNMENT. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OUR COUNTRY BE TOLERATED."

3. "THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP MADE PUBLIC TODAY COMMUNIQUE REPORTING ON THE NEWS PUBLISHED CONCERNING MEMORANDA PRESENTED BY THE US EMBASSY TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE. ITS TEXT FOLLOWS:

"REGARDING MEMORANDA PRESENTED BY THE US EMBASSY TO THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE WHOSE CONTENTS WERE CONVEYED BY THAT MINISTRY TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP, ALBERTO
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J. VIGNES, MAKE KNOWN TO PUBLIC OPINION THAT, CONSIDERING THE

TEXT OF THESE MEMORANDA UNACCEPTABLE, AND THE EXPLANATIONS PRESENTED IN WRITING BY THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRS OF THAT MISSION WHICH WERE DELIVERED TO MINISTER OF FINANCE BELBRAD INSUFFICIENT, HE CALLED THE ABOVEMENTIONED DIPLOMAT TO HIS OFFICE LAST WEEK, JULY 26, AT 9:30 AM, TO CONVEY TO HIM IN THE NAME OF THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT HIS PROTEST AND THE PROFOUND DISPLEASURE WHICH THIS ATTITUDE HAD PRODUCED. HE ADDED MOREOVER THAT IN SPITE OF THE NOTE OF CLARIFICATION PRESENTED BY THE AMERICAN CHARGE AND THE XPLANATION GIVEN PERSONALLY TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, HE WARNED HIM THAT EVENTS OF THIS NATURE WERE UNACCEPTABLE AND REPETITION THEREOF WOULD NOT BE TOLERATED IN ANY WAY.

"THE US CHARGE, MINISTER MAX V. KREBS, EXPRESSED HIS MOST FORMAL APOLOGIES ('EXCUSES') AND GAVE ASSURANCES, STATING IN THE NAME OF HIS GOVERNMENT THAT THIS WOULD NOT RECUR AND POINTED OUT THAT IT HAD ALL ORIGINATED IN AN ERROR WHICH HE REGRETTED DEEPLY. AT THE SAME TIME HE REPEATED ON THIS OCCASION THE APOLOGIES HE HAD GIVEN TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE.

"THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, CONSIDERING THE FOREGOING AND THE POSITION TAKEN BY MINISTER GELBARD IN THE SENSE OF TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE EXPLANATORY NOTE AND THE ASSURANCES AND APOLOGIES PRESENTED BY MINISTER KREBS AS WELL AS THE LATTER'S STATEMENTS TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO THE EFFECT THAT HIS GOVERNMENT DESIRED AND HOPED THAT ITS RELATIONS WITH THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC WOULD NOT BE DISTURBED BY THIS UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT, ENDED THE INTERVIEW REITERATING ONCE AGAIN TO MINISTER KREBS HIS PROFOUND DISPLEASURE CAUSED BY THIS EPISODE AND REPEATING THAT EVENTS OF THIS NATURE ARE INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF RELATIONS WHICH SHOULD EXIST BETWEEN SOVEREIGN STATES.

"THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AMBASSADOR ALBERTO J. VIGNES DOCUMENTED THIS INTERVIEW IN A MEMORANDUM, COPIES OF WHICH HE SENT TO THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, JOSE GELBARD, ON JULY 27, 1973 TO INFORM HIM OF THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.

"IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, THE CONSEQUENCES OF THIS PROBLEM IN THE FRAMEWORK OF BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL RELATIONS ARE THE SUBJECT OF STUDY ON THE PART OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER."

3. FONOFF APPARENTLY ISSUED TEXT QUOTED ABOVE SEPARATELY DURING LATE UNCLASSIFIED

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